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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995	Application Number	09/780,850
	Filing Date	February 12, 2001
	First Named Inventor	ROBERT D'AMATO
	Group Art Unit	1616
	Examiner Name	B. Badio, Ph.D.
	Attorney Docket Number	05213-0493 (43170-253692)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may file a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii. ☐ Other

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other: **3-mth. extension of time; and
Submission of Art and 100 references**

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)
for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$750 and \$930 are enclosed for the following fees:

i. ☒ RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), REQUIRED when filing the RCE.

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17.

b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to
Deposit Account No. 11-0855

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED		
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Signature		Date July 28, 2003

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